WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3852

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 25, 1991

Application of QUALITY TOUR)
TRANSPORT, INC., for a Certificate)
of Authority — Irregular Route)
Operations)

Case No. AP-91-33

By application accepted for filing on October 7, 1991, Quality Tour Transport, Inc. (Quality Tour or applicant), a Virginia corporation, seeks a Certificate of Authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District.

By Order No. 3831, served October 11, 1991, notice of this application was given, and Quality Tour was directed to publish further notice in a newspaper. Order No. 3831 also directed Quality Tour to file an affidavit of publication, and Quality Tour complied. This application is unopposed.

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

Quality Tour proposes to initiate operations using two leased vehicles, one 1987 25-passenger vehicle and one 1991 31-passenger vehicle. Applicant's proposed tariff contains rates for hourly charter service and for transfer service.

Quality Tour's application includes, among other things, information regarding its corporate status, facilities, driver training practices and vehicle maintenance program.

Applicant's president certifies on Quality Tour's behalf that it has access to, is familiar with, and will comply with the Compact, the Commission's rules and regulations, and United States Department of Transportation regulations relating to safe transportation of passengers for hire.

Quality Tour filed a balance sheet showing current assets of \$22,212; fixed assets of \$40,751 (after depreciation); and other assets of \$2,500, for total assets of \$65,463. Current liabilities are shown as \$23,629 and long-term liabilities as \$24,216. Quality Tour's equity accounts total \$17,617. Quality Tour's operating statement shows net income of \$15,327 on total income of \$164,104. Quality Tour projects total income of \$217,800, including \$136,800 from operations under the WMATC authority sought in this application, and net income of \$20,740, for the twelve months ending September 30, 1992.

The application indicates that applicant's president is its sole shareholder. It is certified that neither Quality Tour nor any person controlling, controlled by, or under common control with Quality Tour has any relationship with a carrier other than Quality Tour.

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

This case is governed by the Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 7(a) which provides in relevant part that:

. . . the Commission shall issue a certificate to any qualified applicant, . . . if it finds that --

qualified applicant, . . . if it finds that —

(i) the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform that transportation properly, conform to the provisions of this Act, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission; and

regulations, and requirements of the Commission; and (ii) that the transportation is consistent with the public interest.

Based on the evidence in this record, the Commission finds Quality Tour to be fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly and to conform with applicable regulatory requirements. It is further found that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That Quality Tour Transport, Inc., is hereby conditionally granted, contingent upon timely compliance with the requirements of this order, authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District.
- 2. That Quality Tour Transport, Inc, is hereby directed within 30 days of the date of this order or such additional time as the Commission may direct or allow, to file (a) evidence of insurance pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 58 and Order No. 3623; (b) three copies of its tariff(s) in accordance with Regulation No. 55; (c) an equipment list stating the year, make, model, serial number, vehicle number, license plate number (with jurisdiction) and seating capacity of each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (d) evidence of ownership or a lease as required by Commission Regulation No. 62 for each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (e) its official business address as discussed in Regulation No. 68; and (f) an affidavit of identification of vehicles pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 61, for which purpose WMATC No. 192 is hereby assigned.
- 3. That upon timely compliance with the requirements of the preceding paragraph and acceptance of the materials required by the Commission, Certificate of Authority No. 192 shall be issued to Quality Tour Transport, Inc., as appended to this order.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS DAVENPORT, SCHIFTER, AND SHANNON:

William H. McGilvery Executive Director

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

NO. 192

Quality Tour Transport, Inc.

By Order No. 3852 of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission issued November 25, 1991;

WHEREAS, the above-named carrier is entitled to receive authority to transport passengers within the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District;

THIS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY is hereby issued to the named carrier as evidence of the authority to engage in the for-hire transportation of passengers by motor vehicle; subject, however, to such terms, conditions, and limitations as are now, or may hereafter be, attached to the exercise of the privilege granted to the named carrier:

<u>IRREGULAR ROUTES</u>, transporting passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, between points in the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District;

RESTRICTED TO operations conducted according to the named carrier's applicable tariff on file with the Commission; and

RESTRICTED AGAINST (1) transportation solely within the Commonwealth of Virginia and (2) any passenger transportation for hire on an individual fare paying basis in competition with any existing, scheduled, regular-route, passenger transportation service performed by, or under a contract with, the Federal Government, a signatory to the Compact, a political subdivision of a signatory, or the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

THIS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY DOES NOT AUTHORIZE ANY TRANSPORTATION BY ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE CARRIER NAMED HEREON.

THIS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY IS NOT VALID UNLESS THE CARRIER NAMED HEREON IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION.

IT IS A FURTHER CONDITION of this certificate of authority that the carrier named hereon shall (a) provide safe and adequate transportation service, equipment, and facilities and (b) observe and enforce Commission regulations.